PQM 203

PREPARATION OF COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTIONS FOR ENGINEERING AND TECHNICAL PERSONNEL

his course presents instruction on the preparation and use of Commercial Item Descriptions (CIDs), including characterization of commercial items, the development and use of market acceptability criteria, and the development of performance-based salient characteristics. Current policy on the use of CIDs and performance specifications is discussed.

Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

- employ market research to develop a performancebased CID or other suitable performance-based document for describing commercially available products acceptable for meeting the users' needs; and
- implement appropriate DoD policies in this area.

Who Should Attend: This assignment-specific course is designed for personnel who are involved in generating product descriptions for commercial and nondevelopmental items or who are involved in determining the commerciality of an item.

Prerequisite: None

Length: 1 class day

Method of Delivery: Local

PDS Code: PAN



PQM 212

MARKET RESEARCH FOR ENGINEERING AND TECHNICAL PERSONNEL

he Market Research for Engineering and Technical Personnel course describes market research from the perspective of technical personnel. It explains the practical value and discusses the government mandate to conduct market research. The course addresses market research team membership, sources for obtaining market data, and techniques for technical evaluation and documentation of market information.

Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

- plan and conduct market surveillance within a commodity or technical area; and
- plan and conduct a market investigation for a specific acquisition requirement.

Who Should Attend: This assignment-specific course is designed for acquisition personnel who are in the Program Management; Systems Planning, Research, Development and Engineering; Life Cycle Logistics; Test and Evaluation; Production, Quality and Manufacturing; and related career fields and who are involved in developing acquisition requirements, conducting tradeoff evaluations with users, or determining the commerciality of supplies or services.

Prerequisite: None

Recommended: ACQ 101

Length: 2 class days

Method of Delivery: Resident/Local



PDS Code: PGK



